

Institute For Youth Development

Organization Description

The Institute for Youth Development (IYD) is a non-partisan, non-profit organization founded in 1996 to help teens make healthy choices. To meet this goal, IYD conducts research and develops programs to educate teens, parents, educators and youth development professionals about the importance of avoiding alcohol, drugs, sex, tobacco and violence. In addition to youth development expertise, the founders of IYD also have extensive experience in HIV/AIDS policy initiatives.

Project Description

The Institute for Youth Development has spent more than 15 years studying the Federal government structure and funding process. One of the key components of the project is to hold 24 day-and-a-half conferences with a target of 125 participants in each conference. The overall purpose is to facilitate access to Federal funding for faith-based and community organizations.

Geographic Scope of Project

IYD will present conferences nationwide with a goal of 20 cities per year. The 24 conference sites for the first year include:

- Anchorage, AK
- San Diego, CA
- Colorado Springs, CO
- Tallahassee, FL
- Tampa, FL
- Atlanta, GA
- New Orleans, LA
- Minneapolis, MN
- Raleigh, NC
- Columbus, OH
- Tulsa, OK
- Oklahoma City, OK
- Erie, PA
- Sioux Falls, SD
- Chattanooga, TN
- Austin, TX
- Houston, TX

- Waco, TX
- Lynchburg, VA
- Norfolk, VA
- Richmond, VA
- Seattle, WA
- Milwaukee, WI
- Madison, WI

Partnering Organizations

They currently have more than 100 affiliate organizations in its network.

Sub-Awards

Using a competitive process, IYD plans to award 55 to 95 sub-awards of \$5,000 to \$50,000 for a total amount of sub-awards of \$2 million.

Project Objectives

1. To increase knowledge about the Federal funding process through educational conferences.
2. To distribute existing information and resource tools.
3. To develop and distribute new information tools and resources about funding process and best practices.
4. To build skill levels to write successful Federal grant proposals.
5. To build capacity through financial sub-awards.

Project Strategies

- Offer 20 conferences that are 1.5 days in length with meals provided.
- Distribute existing informational resources.
- Make copies of successful grant proposals available for review at events.
- Offer one-to-one technical assistance at the conferences, by telephone and e-mail.
- Critique written grant proposals.
- Informational postings on web site.
- Monthly updates on grant opportunities.

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\$2,500,000